

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

What a Pity.
We stood to watch the shimmer
Of faint moonbeams on the river
By the gate.
We had heard some one calling,
And a heavy dew was falling,
Still we wait.

It is doubtless very silly
To stay out in all this chilly
Evening mist.
Still I linger, hesitating,
For her lips are plainly waiting
To be kissed.

I stoop to take possession
Of her sweetest kiss.
On the spot.
But she draws back with discreetness
Saying, with tormenting sweetness,
"I guess not!"

Her whole manner is provoking.
"Oh, well, I was only joking!"
I reply.
She looks penitently pretty
As she answers: "What a pity!
So was I."
—Anonymous.

German Last Evening.

Very gay and spirited was the dance of the Tuesday German Club given last evening in Masonic Temple.

The Tuesday German closes its season with a splendid record of enjoyable dances, which have been invariably attended by the prettiest and most charming debutantes of this year and of several years past.

These dancing were Miss Rosalie Jones, in blue-flowered net; Miss Nancy Benedict, of Athens, Ga., in pale green crepe de chine, berthe of real lace; Miss Julia Joyner, in pink chiffon, empire; Miss Courtney Crump, in blue chiffon, princess lace; Miss Susie Robertson, of Staunton, in blue-flowered crepe de chine; Miss Charlotte Miller, in pink satin and lace; Miss Elsie Welford, of Sabine Hall, in pink broadened satin; Miss Bernard Cooke, in white crepe de chine, chiffon trimmings; Miss Juliet Keith, in white net, with satin trimmings; Miss Caroline Armstrong, in pink chiffon tulle, pearl and crystal embroidery; Miss Martha Robinson, in blue silk and lace, iridescent berthe; Miss Rosalie Milnes, in white mull over pink; Miss Egerie Taylor, in blue messaline; Miss Alice Doyle, yellow messaline; Miss Brent Witt, in pale yellow crepe de chine, black velvet touches; Miss Leslie Foster, of Schuyler, Va., in blue-flowered mull; Miss Elsie Lindsey, in pink chiffon; Miss Juliet Osterloh, in white embroidered net; Miss Anita Cussens, in flowered organza, over yellow; Miss Roberta Trigg, in white mull and lace, over blue; Miss Caroline Tennoids, in white silk and chiffon, real lace American Beauties; Miss Mary Butler, in white dotted net, with pink chiffon, rosebuds, orchids; Miss Louise McAdams, pink dotted mull; Miss Roberta Ashley Smith, white embroidered net; Miss Sherrard Wilcox, in pink chiffon, satin trimmings.

Mrs. Levin Joyner, in black velvet and point lace; Mrs. Portaux Robinson, in black lace, and Mrs. Stuart Burke, in yellow-flowered chiffon, chaperoned. Messrs. Frank O'Ferrall, James Dunlop, Hamilton Chamberlayne, Hamilton Rogers, Henry Ellett, John L. Lott, Richard Osterloh, Frank Hill, Percy Pemberton, Roy Jones, Hodgson, Travis Epps, George Fitzgerald, Stuart Christian, Martin, Barksdale, Lathrop, John Cutchins, Mr. Tournon, of Philadelphia, Cabell Fitzgerald, Walter Taylor, Thomas Bryan, Gordon Smith,

Poems You Ought to Know.

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof. Charles Eliot Norton.

No. 1075.
The Wish.

By ABRAHAM COWLEY.

Other selections from this author, his portrait, autograph and biographical sketch, have already been printed in this series.

Well then; I now do plainly see,
This busy world and I shall never agree;
The very honey of all earthly joy
Does of all meats the soonest cloy,
And they, methinks, deserve my pity,
Who for it can endure the stings,
The crowd, and buzz, and murmurings
Of this great hive, the city.

Ah! yet, ere I descend to th' grave,
May I a small house and large garden have;
And a few friends, and many books, both true,
Both wise, and both delightful too!
And since love never will from me flee,
A mistress moderately fair,
And good as guardian-angels are,
Only beloved, and loving me!

O fountains! when in you shall I
Myself, eased of unpeaceful thoughts, espy?
O fields! O woods! when, when shall I be made
The happy tenant of your shade?
Here's the spring-head of pleasure's flood;
Where all the riches lie, that she
Has cold and stamp'd for good.

Pride and ambition here,
Only in far-fetched metaphors appear;
Here nought but winds can hurtful murmurs scatter,
And nought but echo flatter.
The gods, when they descended, hither
From heav'n did always choose their way;
And therefore we may boldly say,
That 'tis the way too thither.

How happy here should I,
And one dear she live, and embracing die!
She who is all the world, and can exclude
In deserts solitude.
I should have then this only fear,
Lest men, when they my pleasure see,
Should hither throng to live like me,
And make a city here.

This series began in The Times-Dispatch Sunday, Oct. 11, 1903. One is published each day.

Thomas Brockenbrough, Frazier Tams, Dr. R. A. Stewart, Fontaine Jones.

Richmonders Danced.

Among the dancers at the mid-winter collation, given Friday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall, New Orleans, La., were Miss Faye Arlett Royal, of this city, with Mr. Stirling Nott, and Mrs. James Walker, also of this city, with Mr. Robert J. Perkins. Mrs. T. Monroie Perkins is mentioned in the list of chaperons.

The decorations in the hall were very elaborate, the walls being festooned in the carnival colors, green and gold. Carlands of Southern smilax, studded with huge sunflowers, encircling electric bulbs, were effectively strung from the sides to the centre chandelier, producing a very beautiful effect.

Pretty Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas H. Gordon, of No. 1009 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Md., entertained at a beautiful

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Foster, of Schuyler, Va.; Miss Katherine, of Baltimore; Miss Elsie Welford, of Sabine Hall, Richmond county; Misses Sarah and Nellie Hamilton, of Petersburg, Va.; Misses Anita Cussens, Caroline Rennolds, Roberta Smith, Elsie Lindsey, Brent Witt, Julia Joyner, Mrs. Butler, Eugene Taylor, Avis Gaynt, Miss Doyle, Anna Purcell, Louisa Purcell, Charlotte Miller, Caroline Armstrong, Daisy Boykin, Rebecca Walker, Juliet Keith, Julia Osterloh, Frances Hobson, Lillian Blinford, Elizabeth Frazier, Nancy Waddill, Sarah Baughman, Elizabeth Atkinson, Rosalie Jones, Courtney Crump, Nancy Selden, Louise McAdams, Mary Davenport, Laura Rutherford and others.

Reimer-Richardson.

A very pretty marriage took place in St. John's Episcopal Church yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, when Miss Mary E. Richardson, daughter of Mr. David A. Richardson, became the bride of Mr. Charles Reimer, of Baltimore, Md. The Rev. R. A. Goodwin performed the ceremony.

The church was prettily decorated in palms, and the music was in charge of Mr. Richie Bacon, organist of the church. The bride was attended by her cousin, Mrs. Lee Richardson, who wore white embroidered muslin and carried La France roses.

Mr. H. S. Barry, of Baltimore, was best man, and the groomsmen were Mr. E. E. Richardson, brother of the bride, of Spenser, N. C.; Mr. E. O. Preston, of Baltimore, Md.; Mr. J. W. White, of Norfolk, Va., and Mr. J. E. Puller, of Philadelphia, Pa.

The bride was handsomely gowned in a brown traveling suit, with hat and gloves to match, and carried a shower of lilacs-of-the-valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Reimer left immediately after the ceremony for a Northern tour. They will be at home after February 20th, at No. 132 Saratoga Street, West, Baltimore, Md.

Among the out-of-town guests who attended the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. White, of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Barry, of Baltimore; Mr. E. O. Preston, of Baltimore; Mr. Samuel Neisler, of Abbeville, S. C.

Shepherd-Fitzhugh.

The marriage of Miss Mary Harrison Fitzhugh to Mr. George W. Shepherd, Jr., took place yesterday at noon in St. George's Episcopal Church, Fredericksburg, Va. The Rev. R. J. McBryde was the officiating clergyman.

The ceremony was very quiet, only members of the immediate families being present.

The bride is related to several famous Virginia families and is prominent socially.

The groom is a brother of Mr. Thomas Smith Shepherd, whose marriage to Miss Irving Withers Wright took place in this city on January 9th. He officiated as best man at his brother's wedding, and is very well known here.

Mr. and Mrs. Shepherd will make their home in Fredericksburg, Va.

King's Daughters' Lecture.

Miss Maria Blair will deliver a lecture under the auspices of Mrs. John E. Lightfoot's Circle of King's Daughters, on the "Austrian Tyrol," Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock, at the Woman's Christian Association. This lecture promises to be new and most attractive, and will no doubt be liberally patronized, since, apart from its own charm, the proceeds will be devoted chiefly to the Day Nursery, to which work this circle has given generous aid for many years.

Personal Mention.

Mrs. William Graeme Harvey will leave to-day for Washington to attend the Army and Navy reception at the White House. Mrs. Harvey will be the guest of Captain and Mrs. Lewis Merriam, of the United States Army, and will also visit Miss Harriet Dolz Randolph Keim, who is well known in Richmond.

Miss Rosamond Thompson, of Andover, Mass., and Miss Leslie Foster, of Schuyler, Va., will arrive to-day to be the

TWELVE-MILE RIDE.

Trouble, But He Had an Object.

We are willing to take trouble to get things we value.

A Mo. man was so much benefited by changing from coffee to Postum that he was willing to ride about 12 miles to get it. His daughter writes:

"My mother, father and myself have been drinking Postum for two years, and have all been greatly benefited by its use."

"Before we dropped coffee and began to use Postum, mother was poorly nourished and only weighed 95 lbs. After she used it a few weeks she began to gain in weight, and she kept getting stronger and better until her weight was about 160 lbs., and we all believe it is due to leaving off coffee and drinking Postum Food Coffee, because she has taken no medicine of any kind. While she drank coffee she was very nervous, but since using Postum she has no such trouble."

"Father was troubled with indigestion when he drank coffee, but Postum has changed all that. He says he likes the taste of it much better than coffee. When I happen to be visiting and drink coffee I am usually sick a few hours, everything sour on my stomach and I get very nervous."

guests of Miss Brent Witt, at No. 808 Park Avenue.

Miss A. B. Carrington is, Miss Mrs. W. D. Scott, in Fredericksburg.

Mr. William Carroll spent Sunday with friends in Brambleton.

Miss Elizabeth Frazier has returned from Norfolk, where she attended the senior gorman Saturday evening. She was accompanied home by Miss Katherine Newbill, who will be her guest.

Miss Rose Morris has returned from a visit to Miss Lucile Higgins, in Portsmouth. Miss Higgins entertained delightfully in her honor at a chafing-dish party Saturday evening. Miss Morris was also a guest at the meeting of the Young Men's Business Club, when it was entertained Tuesday afternoon by the Misses Neely.

Miss Lenore Tinsley is visiting her sister, Mrs. Miller, in Huntington, W. Va.

Miss Lucy White, of Louisville, Ky., will arrive to-morrow to be the guest of Miss Katherine Hoge, at No. 710 East Franklin Street.

Miss Gretta McGuire left yesterday to visit her sisters, Mrs. William Law Clay and Mrs. Arthur Gordon, in Savannah, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eugene Stacy are in Lynchburg, where they attended the McConner-Dillard wedding last evening.

Mrs. George B. Hutchings, of No. 826 Park Avenue, is spending two weeks in New York.

Professor and Mrs. H. G. Welmer, of Cumberland, Md., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Estelle, to Mr. John Ridley Urquhart, of Norfolk. The wedding will take place in the early spring.

Mrs. R. E. Johnson, of Portsmouth, is in the city for a few days.

Mrs. Gwynn Lyell and daughter, Misses Aime and Patty Lyell, are at No. 391 East Grace Street for the remainder of the winter.

Miss Coriella De Jarnette, of Norfolk, is the guest of friends here.

Miss A. M. Johnson has returned to her home at Mercerville, Va., after a visit to friends here.

Miss Jessie Burns Hutchinson is the guest of Mrs. Harry Brown, in Mineral, Va.

Mr. B. D. Decker is spending a short time with his family at the Clarendon, in Harrisonburg.

Miss Lillian Montague, of Fredericksburg, is undergoing treatment at Virginia Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Hall have returned to their home in Portsmouth after a visit to friends here.

Miss Pauline Davidson has returned from a month's visit to friends in Hampton and Newport News.

Mr. and Mrs. John Chester Blair, of Wytheville, Va., are spending Mardi Gras week with Mrs. Frank Emmett, in New Orleans, La.

Miss Bessie Chelvey, of Fredericksburg, has accepted a position in this city.

Mrs. T. S. Atkins is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. George McG. Goodridge, in Norfolk.

RHINEHART-COBBS.

Ohio Wedding of Interest to Virginia People.

News has been received in this city of the marriage on yesterday of Mrs. Augusta H. Cobbs to Mr. W. A. Rhinehart in Granville, Ohio, the ceremony taking place at the residence of the bride's brother, Dr. H. Rhodes Hundley. This event will be of interest to Richmond people, as the bride is a niece of Mrs. Sue Q. Sadler, of No. 317 South Fourth Street, this city, with whom she has resided during the winter season for several years.

Mrs. Rhinehart is a young woman of striking personality and appearance, and has many friends in different parts of this, her native State. She is a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John W. Hundley, of Cape Charles.

Mr. Rhinehart is widely known in business circles of Virginia, being a member of the firm of Rhinehart & Dennis, railway contractors, with headquarters in Washington, D. C. He has, however, been a prominent resident of Covington, Va., for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Rhinehart will spend some time on an extensive tour of the South, visiting Palm Beach and the Mardi Gras at New Orleans. They will make their home at Covington, Va.

MRS. FINCK COMING.

Will Be Introduced in Richmond by Mayor McCarthy.

Mrs. Edward Beecher Finck, of Philadelphia, who will lecture in this city February 13th, under the auspices of the Daughters of the Confederacy, and in the interest of the fund for the erection and maintenance of the Daughters' building at the Jamestown Exposition, is to be introduced to her audience by Mayor McCarthy. Mrs. Finck is one of the most distinguished women of Pennsylvania, and is widely known. Her subject will be "The Wonderland of America," and she will donate the entire proceeds of the lecture to the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Mrs. Finck is president of the Pennsylvania Woman's Press Association, secretary and treasurer of the Browning Society, of Philadelphia; secretary of the National School of Education and Oratory, member of the Quaker City Women's Motor Club, and member of the governing board of the International Press Club. The distinction of the speaker, no less than the merit of her cause, will attract many persons to hear her address.

MAYOR DECLINED.

Refused to Be Director of Life Insurance Company.

Mayor Carlton McCarthy was recently asked to accept a position as director of a new life insurance company, now being organized in New York, or to suggest some other suitable person to represent the company on its directorate in this section. He declined the proffer of the position, but did suggest a gentleman as a proper man. The Mayor adheres to his fixed policy not to accept any other employment or remuneration whatever save his official salary during his continuance in office.

The letter asking him to serve as director came from President Edward Barr, of the Columbia Life Assurance Society, which will begin business with a paid-up capital of \$1,000,000. George H. Egan, secretary and assistant treasurer of the Northern Pacific Railroad, is vice-president and Rear Admiral Corbhan, United States Navy, of "Hoehder-Kaiser" fame, is secretary-president. The company has not yet begun business, and is perfecting its organization.

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POSTPONED UNTIL MONDAY MORNING

Hearing of Fredericksburg Road in Matter of Two-Cent Rate Goes Over.

Owing to the engagements of Attorney-General Anderson in other cases that claimed his entire attention, the hearing of the representatives of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railway before the State Corporation Commission in the matter of a two-cent flat rate was yesterday postponed until next Monday. This company, along with others running their lines through Virginia, had been summoned to show cause why the commission should not promulgate a flat two-cent rate for passenger tickets.

The Commonwealth being largely interested in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac road, and there being, in the opinion of its representatives, special reasons why that road should not be required to adopt the two-cent rate, much interest attached to the proposed hearing.

Richmonders in New York.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

The following people were registered at New York hotels to-day: Grand-H. O. Williams, Imperial-L. L. Scherer, J. L. Armistead, Hoffman-W. L. Mayo.

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